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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Ambassador Lodge's 3 August Report to the President
[redacted]

The significant elements in this cable for your purposes are the following:

1. Paragraphs 7 - 9. [redacted]

The three major bones of current contention between Lodge and the Department/Komer are (1) how forthcoming the GVN can/should be toward the NLF and VC, (2) how to play the elections and (3) the merits of Ky. [redacted]

2. Paragraph 17. We will hear more of the roles and missions study mentioned in this paragraph.

3. Paragraph 28. Note the favorable mention of a Saigon Station report [redacted]

4. Paragraph 31. The story about North Vietnamese troops bolting is interesting if true; we hadn't heard it before.

5. Paragraph 34. This revelation of the Party line being handed to North Vietnamese troops is worth noting

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